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DATE: October 25, 1999

TO: S. Hahn, K-H, Bldg 130, X9888

FROM: S. M. Nesta, K-H/ESS, T130C, X6386 *SM Nesta*

SUBJECT: NEPA DETERMINATION FOR SECURITY FENCING AT BLDG 906 - SMN-136-99

I have reviewed the project to install a security fence around Bldg 906 to support the conversion of the facility from LL/LLM waste storage to TRU/TRM waste storage. I understand that the security fence is to be located 20 feet from the north and south sides of the building, and 40 feet from the east and west sides of the building. The fence is therefore situated to meet security requirements as well as to avoid disturbing wetlands found in the ditches around the facility.

The installation of the fence must be conducted so as to avoid disturbing the small wetland areas around the facility. The vegetation (e.g., trees and bushes) in the wetlands may be trimmed as needed (and trimmed material may be removed), but the plants must not be dug up, pulled out, or otherwise removed. No other environmental compliance issues are noted for this project.

With regard to the NEPA documentation for the project, I find that the Site Standing Categorical Exclusion (CX) RFFO/CX 20-96 (B2.2) for installation of, or improvements to, building and equipment instrumentation (including safeguards and security equipment) covers the action of installing the security fencing. Note that the conversion and use of the building itself is covered by the *Environmental Assessment, Finding of No Significant Impact, and Response to Comments for Temporary Storage of Transuranic and Transuranic Mixed Waste* (DOE/EA-1303). No further NEPA review or documentation of the project is necessary and, from a NEPA perspective, the project may proceed.

If changes arise that alter the scope of the project, please contact me so that we can review the changes for NEPA compliance. Please do not hesitate to contact me at X6386 if you have any questions or need additional information.

cc:

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Ted Hopkins, RMRS

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